1	2	3
14.	Orissa	0.518
15.	Punjab	0.764
	Chandigarh	4.386
16.	Rajasthan	0.301
17.	Tamil Nadu	0.924
	Pondicherry	1.901
18.	Uttar Pradesh	0.682
19.	West Bengal	0.956
	Sikkim	0.276
	Andaman & Nicobar	0.118
	All India	0.465

[Translation]

Kainia Mukta Port

664. SHRI DOWARKA PARSHAD BAIRWA : Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government have made evaluation of any study at Kainia Mukta Port in order to provide it more infrastructure facilities based on latest technology;

(b) whether some multinational companies are keenly interested to provide infrastructure facilities to this port motivated by the latest technology;

(c) if so, the details thereof and the total foreign investment envisaged therein; and

(d) whether the State Government invited the foreign investment in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (DR. DEBENDRA PRADHAN) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

[English]

Woes of Correspondence Courses Students

665. SHRI BHIM DAHAL : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether management of correspondence courses in the Delhi University send study materials and also conduct classes for the students who are doing various courses through Correspondence Courses;

(b) if so, whether for the B.Com. (Pass) Ist Year, the Management of Correspondence Courses has neither sent study materials nor has conducted any classes whereas the examinations are likely to be held in middle June, 1998; and

(c) if so, the action the Government propose to take in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT AND MINISTER OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI) : (a) to (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

[Translation]

New National Highway Projects

666. SHRIMATI SURYAKANTA PATIL : Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) the number of new national highway projects sent by the Planning Commission for approval;

(b) the outline of these projects;

(c) names of the States included in the proposed schemes; and

(d) the details of amount sanctioned or amount allocated?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (DR. DEBENDRA PRADHAN) : (a) No such proposal has been received from the Planning Commission.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

[English]

Observance of Ambedkar Jayanti

667. SHRI ARIF MOHAMMED KHAN : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether all the Central Universities observed holiday on 14th April 1998, on the occasion of "Ambedkar Jayanti" as per the decision of the Central Government; and

(b) if not, the names of the Central Universities which did not declare holiday and the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT AND MINISTER OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI) : (a) and (b) The following Universities observed holiday on 14th April, 1998 on the occasion of "Ambedkar Jayanti":

1. University of Delhi
2. Jawaharlal Nehru University
3. Jamia Millia Islamia
4. Indira Gandhi National Open University
5. Babasaheb Bhimrao Ambedkar University
6. Assam University